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Some of the Accused Dealers Plead | Speculation Here as to the Chicago Conven-Guilty.

CONSTERNATION AMONG DEFENDANTS

Trial of Grocer Deutermann Goes on Today.

THE REVENUE OFFICERS

The trials of the parties recently indicted for violating the oleomargarine laws were resumed before Judge Cole, in Criminal Court No. 1, this morning, Frank Deutermann, engaged in the grocery business at 945 R street, being the first of the accused persons to be placed on trial today. Before the trial of Deutermann was proceeded with quite a bombshell was thrown into the ranks of the oleomargarine men when Albert E. Hayden, indicted last April for violating he law, asked leave to withdraw his plea of not guilty and plead guilty. Leave was given him to do so, and Mr. Hayden then formally plead guilty to the charge. At the suggestion of Assistant District Attorney Taggart, who, in the absence of District Attorney Birney, conducted the prosecution, Judge Cole released Mr. Hayden on bail in the sum of \$300 to

appear for sentence. The consternation among the oleomarga-rine men caused by the pleading guilty of Mr. Hayden was the next moment in-creased when John H. Gundling, indicted last April for selling oleomargarine as and for butter without having first placed thereon the label required by law, asked leave to withdraw his plea of not gullty and plead gullty. Permission to do this was of course, given him, and, after pleading guilty to that indictment Mr. Gundling plead guilty to the indictment returned against him yesterday, in which he was charged with selling the stuff without having first obtained the license required by law. At the suggestion of Mr. Taggart he was also released on a bond of \$300 to appear for

Deutermann's Trial. The trial of Deutermann was then pro-

ceeded with, Mr. Henry E. Davis appearing in his behalf, Mr. Taggart being assisted by Assistant District Attorney Jeffords. The first witness called was Arthur G. Van Horn, a young man in the employ of the internal revenue officers. He stated that the evening of the 25th of last January he sent Florence Davis, a colored woman, into Deutermann's store to purchase half a pound of butter. She returned with a package of what appeared to be butter. He turned it over to Dr. Chas. A. Crampton, the government chemist. The Davis woman testified to making the purchase, being charged 10 cents for the alleged butter, although she said she could not now identify the person who waited upon her. Dr. Crampton testified to finding the stuff, upon analysis, to be oleomargarine.

The defendant having been indicted on two charges, that of selling the stuff as and for butter without having labeled it as oleomargarine, and with selling it without having first obtained the license required by the oleomargarine laws, and the two indictments having been consolidated, Internal Revenue Officers W. H. H. Bowen and Thomas Philbin testified to discovering olecmargarine in Deutermann's store last February, after he had denied having any Later, they said he claimed that he had purchased it at the request of a customer. He had no license then, although Mr. Harrison Nesbitt of the internal revenue office stated that Deutermann took cut the required license, as a retail dealer in oleomargarine, the 4th of last March, the license being made to cover a period from the 1st of last January. Mr. Nesbitt also explained that Deutermann, in applying for the license last March, swore that he had been engaged in business as a retail deal-er in the stuff since January 1, 1896.

Deputy Revenue Collector Maurice J.Clag-gett identified the affidavit made by Deutermann when he took out the license as a retail oleomargarine dealer last Marcn, in which he swore that he had been such a dealer since the first of last January.

Ordered by Customers.

That concluded the testimony on behalf of the government, and in his own behalf Deutermann took the stand. He testified that he had never knowingly sold oleomargarine except when he purchased it at the express request of customers. He said that he signed the affidavit in applying for the license, but did not mean to swear that he had been engaged in retailing the stuff prior to last March, except when expressly ordered by customers.

Since March last, he has been retailing the compound. He stoutly denied telling the revenue officers that he had been so dealing in it prior to March last. He said that a number of his customers ordered o comargarine from him, Mr. Cady, 902 French street; Mrs. Patterson, 1926 6th street; Mrs. Britton, 943 R street; Mrs. Duncanson, 903 R street, and others he could not recall. To all of them, he said, he sold the stuff at the same price he paid for it, twenty cents a pound, and in the

original packages.

Mrs. William Cady testified that the 19th of last January she ordered seven pounds of oleomargarine from Deutermann, and that when she went for it in the evening he told her the revenue officers had been in during the day and had taken away part of it. After that she bought no more from him until after he took out his license. She always paid 20 cents a pound

To Judge Cole she said she could not emember whether it was or was not marked.

Mrs. Lizzle Britton gave similar testi-mony, saying that the stuff was always marked, so far as she remembered. But he did not put his name on it previous to get-ting his license. Before then, however, she saw the name of Wilkins on it.

Adjourned Until Tomorrow.

Geo. W. Buckman, Deutermann's clerk, denied that he sold oleomargarine to Florence Davis or to anyone else, and that closed the defendant's testimony.

After Mr. Bowen and Revenue Officer W. W. Pennell had stated that they took no leomargarine from Deutermann's store, the testimony was closed on both sides, and the trial was adjourned until tomorrow morning.

# The Free Library.

The District Commissioners have called a meeting of the public library trustees for the 2d of July. At that meeting the trustees will probably organize and consider the means for carrying out the objects of the free public library act.

Personal Mention. Lieut. C. A. Flagler, Corps of Engineers, is making a short visit to his father, Gen. Flagler, at 2144 California avenue, en route to his new station at Portland, Oregon. Second Lieut. James H. Reeves, 4th Cav-

city on temporary duty. The training ship Essex arrived at Lisbon yesterday. The Yantic has left Monte-

video for a trip up the Uruguay river.

alry, has been granted leave of absence un

Lieut. K. Niles of the Newark is in the

Long Array of Presidential Aspirants-Plans of the Men Who Oppose Silver.

Some who are considered as knowing ones are figuring that the Chicago conven tion will be in session for ten days or two

Politicians believe that the matter of a platform will not take up much time after the convention gets to work, but the nominations are where the hitch will come. The platform, if there is no change in the program of the silver men, will not be longnot half so long as that of the St. Louis convention. The financial plank will lead off, and will be followed by whatever else is settled upon. The tariff will be touched lightly, and if there is anything like a straddle anywhere in the declarations it will be on this question.

The Candidates.

Judging from the present outlook no candidate for the presidential nomination will have as much as 150 votes to start with. Boies or Bland will lead. It will be a great day of oratory when the time for nominations is reached, and there will be so many tions is reached, and there will be so many candidates that a long time will be consumed in placing them in nomination. Iowa will present Boies; Missouri will put forward the name of "Silver Dick" Bland; Indiana will present Matthews; Ohio will say Campbell is her favorite; Stevenson will be put up by delegates from different states; California will present Senator White; South Carolina will show up with Tillman; some of the Colorado men may agree to put Teller in nomination; Kenagree to put Teller in nomination; Ken-tucky will enthusiastically present Blackburn; Patterson will be the choice of Pennsylvania: Russell will be presented by some of the New England men; Whitney and Carlisle will find friends, and there are Senator Gorman, Senator Morgan, Senator Harris Coverna Market Harris, Governor Altgeld and a large num-ber of possibilities. In fact the field will be an unlimited one, and it would not be safe to pick a favorite and place money on him

against the field.

It is said that it will be the policy of the gold standard men to divide the field as much as possible. They will have three or four men in nomination, and will scriter their votes until it is seen that the silver men are beginning to concentrate on a certain man; then they will go to the man certain man; then they will go to the man most likely to receive votes from rilver delegates. Campbell is said to be the man selected to make the last race against the strongest silver candidate. His pop-flarity among southern men may make a formida-ble candidate. If Campbell is not the most available man there is Stevenson, and a last resort may find Morrison in the race. He did not say in his recent telegram that he did not want his name presented at Chicago. He simply asked that nothing be done to secure the indorsement of the Illinois convention for him.

Campbell and Ohio.

It is said here that there is no likelihood that Campbell can get the full vote of Ohio. The full-fledged silver men there like the governor well enough personally and as a democrat, but they think his conversion to silver is only partial. This is the opinion of almost every Ohio silver man who comes to Washington, many of them Governor Campbell's warmest friends, and some of them his supporters. It is estimated that he cannot poll more than one-third of the delegation at any time. It has been reported here for some time that John R. Mc Lean offered his support to Campbell some time ago, and that it was accepted. Later, t was stated, some of the same men who had induced Governor Campbell to remain in the race went to Mr. McLean and asked him to allow the use of his own name for first place. Mr. McLean declined, and announced that he would support Campbell. The story is given on the authority of a number of responsible men, but may be one of the idle rumors floating around. Mr. McLean will be a power in the Ohio delega-tion, and if he is supporting Campbell the

latter will be fortunate. The Vice Presidential Nomiation. The vice presidential nomination is also going to be eagerly sought after. Mr. Mo-Lean's friends are pushing him with vigor. Many of the presidential possibilities named will be available for second place when they have been knocked out for first. Senator Daniels, Senator Bacon of Georgia. Representative Balley, Senator-elect Money, Governor Stone of Missouri and a host of others are in line for the stroke of the political lightning. For both places new men may develop at unexpected n.o-

The contest might not be prolonged if the silver men had not decided that they will not immediately revoke the two-thirds rule. They are going to let this stand for two or three days, so that everybody may have a chance to do and say what he pleases.

PAYMASTER WEBSTER'S CASE. Charged With Withholding Money Advanced as Security.

Great interest is taken in local naval circles in the case of Passed Assistant Paymaster Edwin D. Webster, who has been ordered to appear before a court-martial at San Francisco. The importance of the case is indicated by the fact that Lieutenant Laucheimer, assistant judge advocate general, has been ordered from this city to San Francisco for duty as judge advocate of the court.

Paymaster Webster is charged with attempt to defraud and with other offenses of less seriousness. He has recently returned to San Francisco from the Asiati station on the cruiser Concord, and on his return was confronted with charges laid before the officials at San Francisco by his fermer pay clerk. It seems that when Webster departed from the United States on his three years' cruise he selected a young man in San Francisco, son of a widow, as pay clerk, but he required of the man's mother that she place at his disposal the sum of \$2,500, which was to be accepted as a bond to cover any loss that the officer

might sustain.

Some months after Webster and his clerk
joined the China fleet the clerk became dissatisfied with his duties and his employer
and asked and received his discharge from might sustain the navy, with privilege to return home at his own expense. He then demanded the money advanced by his mother, but was told by the paymaster that, until the Treas-ury Department had adjudicated the accounts, it would not be returned. It is now claimed that Webster is still withholding the

Naval Cadets Appointed.

Cadets at the United States Naval Academy have been appointed as follows: Geo. F. Blair, Jackson, Mich.; Willis G. Mitchell, Warren, Pa., with Eugene E. Grimm. Franklin, Pa., as alternate: Wm. H. Keiths, Pilot Knob, Mo., with James O. Buford, Belleview, Mo., as alternate; Wm. Brackett, Peoria, Ill., with Fred W. Pot-Brackett, Feoria, Ill., with Fred W. Pot-ter, Henry, Ill., as alternate; John F. Mann, Grand Gorge, N. Y., with E. R. St. John, Walton, N. Y., as alternate; Robert Morris, Salt Lake City, Utah, with Alex. Colbath, Salt Lake City, as alternate; Jno. M. Caffery, Franklin, La.; Charles C. Day, Laurel, Ind., with Wm. C. Parrish, Greens-burg, Ind., each correct. Free McCally. burg. Ind., as alternate: Frank McGelliard Bridgeton, N. J.; Scott M. Thompson, Fernandina, Fla., with Hugh G. Blount, Lamont P. O., Fla., as alternate; Theo. G. Bilbo, Poplarville, Miss., with Isaac E. Bass, Carley, Miss., as alternate; Gerald Shelby, Shelby P. O., Miss.

The British Surveyor Arrested in Venezuela.

HE WAS BUILDING A ROAD

Venezuelans Allege It Was for Purposes of Conquest.

LONDON, June 23.-The secretary of state for the colonies. Mr. Joseph Chamberlain. was questioned today regarding the action which the government would take in regard to the arrest of Mr. Harrison, the crown surveyor of British Guiana, by Venezuelan troops. Mr. Chamberlain declined to say anything upon the subject, and would in no way give any hint as to what the government intends to do under the circum-

It Was the Crown Surveyor.

son was working, with a force of about 100 laborers and engineers, well within the Schomburgk line, opening up a road from the Barima to the Cuyuni river. When notified by the commander of a force of Venezuelan troops to stop work, Harrison did so, under protest, and communicated with Sir Augustus Hemming, the new governor of British Guiana. Non-Resistance.

Governor Hemming notified Harrison to offer no resistance to the Venezuelans, who claimed the right to arrest foreigners on the left bank of the Cuyuni river. Harrison carried out his instructions, but his arrest offer no resistance to the Venezuelans, who seems to have followed on the receipt of additional instructions from Caracas to the commander of the Venezuelan force. It was this movement of the Venezuelan troops and the arrest of Harrison which led, it is said, to the alarming reports of the advance of Venezuelan troops into British territory, which reports were fol-lowed by the circulation of stories of sanguinary encounters. The reports of blood-shed are not believed. But it does not seem probable that serious fighting has occurred, as the colonial officials maintain that the British force in the district where the fighting is said to have taken place is limited to a few policemen, who are sta-tioned at the Uruan outpost. The police are well trained soldiers, uniformed, armed and drilled as regular troops. The Venez-uelan forces were scattered from El Do-rado downward, and outnumber the Brit-

ish by thirty to one.

The colonial officials say no British have crossed the Schomburgk line, except to visit the Venezuelans, or to send them help, as in the case of the recent fire at El Dorado.

The latest mail advices from the frontier

said that the best of feeling prevailed there

between the Venezuelans and the British. Provoking Conflict. The feeling here is that Great Britain cannot delay action much longer, as the Venezuelans, according to the British, seem determined to provoke a conflict with-

out waiting for the report of the United States commission. On the other hand, unbiased judges of the situation hold that the crown surveyor and his laborers might very well have been kept here until all danger of a conflict was past, and the work of surveying of a road building even near the disputed territory was calculated to excite the Venezuelans and cause further trouble. No military is foolish enough to really pretend that the crown surveyor was engaged in the work other than that of preparing for eventualities by improving the lines of munication between the seaboard and the territory in dispute, and, therefore it seems difficult to blame the Venezuelans for having put a stop to his operations. In fact, it is rumored that the crown surveyor's arrest was not ordered until it became plain his outward stopping of work and retreat under protest were merely moves intended to deceive the Venezuelans, and that he was pushing the surveying and

road making secretly, while apparently having stopped work in obedience to the remonstrances of the Venezuelans. Facts Kept Secret. The actual facts in the case, naturally are kept secret by the British officials, who,

it is understood, have cabled a full report on the subject to the colonial office. The people here are rapidly getting tired of the whole dispute, especially of the bungling treatment, which the really serious boundary dispute'is receiving in London, and it is feared that the hands of all concerned may be forced, sooner or later, by a conflict on the border, which might hav avoided had the dispute between British Guiana and England been handled more promptly and effectively by the home gov

The jingoes here are loud in their de nunciation of the so-called "outrage" upon the crown surveyor, and are demanding that his release must be immediately brought about by Great Britain, even if a resort to arms must follow in order to bring about this result.

The more cool-headed of the population are in favor of peaceful negotiations and of awaiting full details of the arrest of the crown surveyor before pronouncing any judgment or taking action which might tend to further complications.

SAN FRANCISCO' CATASTROPHE,

Excavating Today to Recover Bodies

of the Dead. SAN FRANCISCO, June 23.-Two bodies at the morgue, two more seen in the ruins and thirteen persons injured, one of whom is likely to die, and three men unaccounted for-that is the list of fatalities so far as night in the woods adjoining the southis known that resulted from the collapse yesterday afternoon of the three-story grounds, with the aid of another man. It frame lodging house known as the was further claimed that Mr. J. D. Nauck, Brighton, situated at 22 5th street. There a brother of Policeman Nauek of the are more bodies in the ruins, buried under eighth precinct, who was passing along in great piles of lumber and furniture. Some the vicinity, was clubbed by the men. of those whose names are on the list of missing are doubtless dead.

Riordan, John McCarthy. Carclessness of the grossest sort is responsible for the collapse of the house and the loss of life caused.

Maryland's Normal Superintendent. Special Dispatch to The Evening Star.

BALTIMORE, Md., June 23 .- The meeting of the state board of education next week, when the principal of the State Normal School will be elected, is being awaited by local republicans with a great deal of Clements had eleven witnesses in court to interest. As the principal of the institu- prove an alibi. His girl, Eva Washington, tion is secretary of the state board as well and is ex-officio superintendent of public instruction in the state the position is one for which many are longing. The present and is ex-officio superintendent of public instruction in the state the position is one for which many are longing. The present incumbent is Prof. E. B. Prettyman of Montgomery county, and the prevailing behef is that despite the fact that the repub-licans have a majority on the board he licans have a majority on the will be retained.

Negotiations Going Slowly Forward in This City

Between Sir Julian Pauncefote and Minister Andrade-The Arrest of Harrison.

Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British ambassador, and Minister Andrade of Venezuela have been negotiating of late upon the settlement of the Uruan affair, and incidentally toward opening negotiations MAY PROVOKE WAR on the boundary question proper. There have been delays due to the month or more taken in the transmission of mail to Caracas and return, so that thus far the negotiations have not proceeded beyond an introductory stage. It is the pendency of these negotiations to which Mr. Curzon, under secretary of foreign affairs, referred in his public statement before the house of commons last Friday, when he spoke of the instructions given to Sir Julian to communicate with Minister Andrade and to the latter's fallure thus far to respond. At first some question was raised here as to the accuracy of Mr. Curzon's statement, as officials doubted whether Mr. Andrade had received from (Copyright, 1896, by the Associated Press.)
GEORGETOWN, British Guiana, June 23.

-Harrison, the British official whose arrest by an armed force of Venezuelans on Sir Julian and Mr. Andrade have been June 15 became known here yesterday, is the crown surveyor. The affair has caused much indignation and excitement. Harriplomatic fencing in the matter just at present. From the British standpoint Sir Julian's overtures to Mr. Andrade afford the latter an opportunity to submit propositions which may bring the governments together. But from the Venezuela stand-point, the British evertures should consist of definite propositions, instead of suggestions that Venezuela should submit propositions. The Venezuelans say there is nothing for them to propose except arbitration, which they have proposed time and again. This involves nice diplomatic distinctions as to who shall make the

> The Arrest of Harrison. The arrest of Mr. Harrison, chief of the British surveying party on the British-Venezuela boundary, has not been communicated to the officials here. It appears to in the wrong if the dispatches are correct in stating that he was on the west side of the Cuyunt river. Mr. Chamberlain, secretary of state for the colonies, laid down the Cuyuni as part of the colonies, laid down the Cuyuni as part of the provisional boundary, pending a settlement, so that, it is said, the British will not make the contention that Harrison was right in proceeding beyond this provisional boundary. This takes from the incident its serious aspect, as Harrison is not likely to be supported by the vigorous British protest that was at first anticinated.

The Commission.

There is to be no interruption in the though the individual members have separated for the summer months, each will continue a line of work committed to him. There will be no meetings in Washington during July, but the commissioners will meet for consultation through the summer at some convenient point. The office here will remain open, and the chairman, Justice Brewer, and secretary, Mr. Malet-Provost, will be here fortnightly to direct the work into its proper channels as it accumulates.

Justice Brewer left yesterday for Vermont, stopping en route for the Yale exercises.

Justice Alvey will be at Bedford Springs, Pa., Dr. White at Ithaca, President Gilman at Northeast Harbor, Me. Commissioner Coudert will go to Europe at an early day, and while there will visit Rome to make certain personal investigations of vatican records, which are involved in the inquiry. Most of the documentary evidence sub-mitted by Great Britain and Venezuela is in, although the supplementary British blue book and the third volume of Venezuelan archive translations are yet to be submitted. Until these are received it cannot be determined whether an investigation of Spanish records will be necessary.

# CARRYING CHILDREN.

Bicycle Riders Protest About a Recent Order. . The recent bicycle regulations limiting the rate of speed on the streets and averues of the city and county was the sub-

ject of a hearing before the Commissioners this afternoon. Messrs. C. M. Lewis, W. W. Alleger and F. B. Brock, all bicyclists, were present.

The object of their hearing was to get a change in the regulations prohibiting the carrying of children on bicycles. They claimed that children could be carried by expert riders as safely as they could in baby carriages, that no accidents had been recorded from carrying children this way, and that the use of blcycles for the pur-pose was conducive to their health. They questioned the constitutional right of the Commissioners to make a regulation so restricting personal rights as this regulation contemplated. A parent could cer-tainly be trusted with his own child. It might as well be ordered that a person could not carry a child in a buggy, and really there would be more argument in such an order, for a person on a bicycle certainly had more control over his machine than the driver of a horse.

HELD FOR ASSAULT.

Two Men Knocked a Woman Down in the Woods. William Clements, a young colored man, one of the number arrested several weeks ago on suspicion of complicity in the Hall murder case, was before Judge Miller in the Police Court today, charged with knocking down and outraging Mary Settle, a middle-aged colored woman, Saturday eastern portion of the Soldiers' Home

of those whose names are on the list of missing are doubtless dead.

The two bodies recovered are those of Mrs. Ernestine Silverstein and Jesse May. The following persons are missing, and are believed to be in the ruins: George Connen, — Stein, Michael Rourke, Charles Riordan, John McCarthy.

According to the testimony of Mary Settle and Mr. Nauck, the former was passing by the woods on her way home about 10 o'clock last Saturday night, when she was suddenly attacked by two men, knocked down, dragged to the woods and assaulted by both of them. Mr. Nauck witnessed the assault and rushed to the woods and assaulted by both of them. assault, and rushed to the assistance of the woman. The men claimed to be special policemen, and while one held the other turned on Mr. Nauck, and a struggle ensued, during which the men made their escape.

Clements Recognized.

Clements was yesterday recognized by Mr. Nauck as one of the assailants and was arrested by Policeman Shannon. He was also positively identified by Mrs. Settle. was a variance as to the time in the state ments of the witnesses, and Judge Miller held Clements for the grand jury in \$2,000 bonds. The other man has not yet been

BOGUS BUTTER MEN MAY SIT MANY DAYS WARLIKE ALARM THE VENEZUELA BOUNDARY THE SECRETARY GONE

Stories Started by Mr. Olney's Sudden Disappearance.

NOTWITHSTANDING MANY WAR ALARMS

The President and His Ministers Off for a Holiday.

TREASURY GOLD BALANCE

Secretary Olney has taken advantage of the President's absence on a fishing trip by going away for a short vacation himself. Although he is supposed to have gone to Boston on private business or to Marion, Falmouth, Mass., to see his family, it is impossible to obtain authentic information on that subject at the State Department. Visitors to the department today were informed simply that the Secretary was not there. Beyond that the officials were dumb, either through ignorance or design, and it could not be learned whether the Secretary was actually in the city or in case he had gone away when he might be expected back. His departure at this particular time, when the air is filled with dire rumors of pending trouble with Great Britain over the Venezuelan affair and with Spain over the Cuban insurrection, is somewhat of a surprise to the alarmists, who are trying to create the impression that the country is on the verge of war.

Friday's Cabinet Meeting. Although there is an absence of definite information on the subject, there is ground for the belief that President Cleveland, Secretary Carlisle, Secretary Olney and Secretary Lamont, all of whom are out of the city at present, will all return in time to attend the regular meeting of the cabinet next Friday, for the purpose of considering important foreign questions, before the separation of the President and the members of his cabinet for the summer. It has been said that the President has deferred his departure to Gray Gables in order to await the arrival of a report said to be expected from Consul General Lee in a few days, which report, it was also said, be conceded, however, that Harrison was is likely to result in a radical change in in the wrong if the dispatches are correct the administration policy in the case of

Cuba.
The story was that the fishing trip on the The story was that the lishing trip on the light house tender Violet was taken merely to while away a few days in pleasant recreation pending the receipt of General Lee's portentous report. This theory has been practically upset, however, by General Lee's personal disclaimer that he has sent any such report as has been attributed to any such report as has been attributed to him, as well as by the reiterated state-ments of officials of the State Department that no such report has been asked for or

Financial Rumors.

The practical explosion of this theory has resulted, however, in the development of another one, which is that the President and Secretary of the Treasury have gone into seclusion for several days on a government vessel in order that they might better devise means for the protection of the government gold balance and avert, if possible, the necessity for another issue of bonds until Congress shall again have had an opportunity to come to the relief of the national exchequer. How much basis there is for this financial theory can only be determined by the future course of the Treas-

ury Department.
The gold balance is now stated at \$102,000,-000, being but a trifle over the legal tender reserve, and the officials of the department admit that a continuance of the prevailing outflow of gold would soon necessitate the consideration of means for the rehabilitation of the gold balance for the preserva-tion of the public credit. Even should the drain continue steadily at its present rate, however, which is not thought probable, the balance would not get down to what is regarded as the danger point for several weeks to come, and it is hoped that there will soon be a turn in the financial tide would maintain the gold balance through the usual course of business.

MANY CASES TREATED.

Emergency Hospital Doctors Have a Busy Time of It.

The Emergency Hospital had one of the busiest nights in its experience between sundown yesterday and sunrise this morning and the doctors in attendance were kept on the jump without intermission. There were no less than five patrol wagons at the institution within a few minutes of each other.

The most serious case was that of Leonard Randolph, the colored man who was brought to the Emergency by the patrol wagon of the seventh precinct at 10:50 o'clock, suffering from a fracture of the skull above his forehead, having been assaulted with an ax. At noon today Dr. W. P. Carr trephined the skull. Randolph is doing nicely this afternoon.

Trixle Green, a colored woman, twenty-

six years of age, living at 325 14th street, came in at 1 a.m. to have her arm treated. She said she had been struck with a club on an excursion to Glymont.

At the same hour Sarah Faver, colored, forty-rine years old, was brought in the police patrol wagon with her face badly mashed. She said her husband, who, by masned. She salu her husband, who, by the way, is an Italian, was drinking last night and threw a pitcher at another man, missing him and striking her. The affair occurred at 441 G street. Sarah is still at

the Emergency.

Mary Brown, colored, earlier in the evening, had an attack of epilepsy on the street. She is subject to such fits and was taken in the hospital for the night. Mary is in service at 242 1st street northwest.
At midnight Charles Clark of 1326 6th street northwest was brought in the po-lice ambulance with a lacerated wound of the scalp, extending over the left cheek bone. He was found at 4½ street and Pennsylvania avenue, and said a man named Simpson had struck him. He left the hospital this morning.

At 9:30 this morning C. L. Buchanan, a clerk, living at 227 Massachusetts avenue

northeast, was stricken with epilepsy, and relieved at the hospital. At 10:30 this morning H. Edward Bopp of 1103½ 6th street southwest came to get treatment for the second finger of his left hand, that had been badly crushed in a all from a bicycle. About noon Lawrence Britt of 477 I street

southwest had a wound on his left arm, caused by a fall upon a piece of iron, dressed and bandaged. George Kendrick, the boy whom Dr. Jas. Kerr sent out of the Emergency Hospital when he was awaiting an operation for hernia, and who was brought back to the institution and operated upon by Dr. Shand, under Dr. Hawkes' direction, is rapidly getting well, and will be probably lischarged tomorrow.

FITZHUGH LEE'S REPORT.

He Denies Absolutely That He Has Sent One.

HAVANA, June 23 .- The United States consul general, Gen. Fitzhugh Lee, denies, not diplomatically, but absolutely, the statement published that he has sent reports to President Cleveland by a special messenger. He adds that he has not sent any reports to Mr. Cleveland by messenger

Hundreds Wish to See the Hanging of Irvin

The Condemned Murderer Maintains His Dogged Air-Will Die Next Friday.

Warden Leonard of the District jail stated to a Star reporter this afternoon that not since the execution of Guiteau has there been such a demand for tickets of admission to an execution here as there is for the privilege of witnessing the hanging of TEXAS FOR SILVER Irvin Ford, the murderer of Elsie Kreglo, Friday next. The warden said that he is being besieged almost every moment of the day and night for tickets of admission to the execution, and by about every class of people. But, as far as possible, he will strictly obey the law in the matter, and will endeavor, so far as he is personally concerned, to restrict the attendance at the execution of Ford to the number expressly

provided for by law. The murderer, said Mr. Leonard, still maintains the dogged silence which has characterized him since his conviction. About the only persons he freely converses with are his wife and child and the colored minister, the Rev. John Roberts, who daily visits him. For some time Ford has been very anxious to be photographed, be-ing displeased with the one made of him for the police department, and exceedingly anxious that his wife should have a better one of him. His desire was gratified yesterday, a local photographer making pho-tographs of the murderer in two different positions. The pictures were, of course, made at the jail, the condemned man being seated in the corridor near his cell. Ford still maintains that he is anxious to die, and expresses the utmost confidence that God will forgive him. That is, as is usual with men of his class, he believes he will step from this life into one of eternal happiness. Nevertheless, the prison officials are still somewhat ap-prehensive that the burly murderer will weaken at the supreme moment. While it has not yet been definitely determined, the hanging will probably take place at 11:30 Friday morning, the sentence of the court directing that the man be hanged between the hours of 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

PROBABLE ACTION.

Warden Leonard Will Likely Be Acquitted of Charges Against Him. Although it is understood that the members of the District Supreme Court have not yet formally decided the matter, it can be stated, upon the best of authority, that the charges recently filed against Warden John R. Leonard of the District jail, charging him with gross mismanagement of the prison, will eventually be dismissed as groundless by the court. The charges are still under consideration by the court, Judge Hagner, in the absence of Chief Justice Bingham, having immediate charge of them, and it is expected that he will shortly report to his associates in the matter. His recommendation, it is believed, will be against the holding of any forther investigation, on the ground, it is said, that the charges are not sufficiently well supported or sustained to warran such a course. In any event, however, it appears now to be reasonably certain that the charges will not disturb Mr. Leonard's position as warden.

A CAMPAIGN SWINDLER.

Claimed to Be Able to Give Out Canceled Greenbacks. KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 23 .- The Journal announces the arrest at Neosho, Mo., by United States Marshal Pearman of a swindler who had eluded the agents of the Treasury Department for three years. The chief operator, who is known as J. R. Bell, alias James F. Swartz, is in jail at Springfield. Along with him are M. A. Maginnis and Thomas Robbins, heretofore respected citizens of Neosho, who are said to have become his dupes. Bell claimed to be a secret agent of President Cleveland's administration, and carried an alleged commission bearing the forged signature of W

Q. Gresham, Secretary of State, dated Au gust 23 1889. The pretended mission of the swindler was to distribute campaign funds for the national administration, and he claimed to be able to give out to favored ones green backs that had been presented to the gov ernment for redemption and cancelled. He claimed that instead of destroying these oills, the administration stored them in the treasury vaults to be distributed by him

for campaign purposes.

From each of his dupes the swindler exacted an initiation fee of \$250, and he represented to them that the number of citizens admitted 40, the brotherhood was so regu-lated that each member would be given \$4,000 annually to distribute.

Notwithstanding that the scheme was clearly fraudulent, the authorities have evidence that the swindler has been exten-sively working in Texas, Kansas, Centra Missouri and Tennessee. The swindler was greatly assisted in convincing his dupes by an accomplice in Washington, from whom he received a daily mail, including treasury reports and other statements that were ap parently sent to him in franked envelop These were exhibited as an evidence of his authority. Bell, or Swartz, claims to be a

EXPULSION NO BAR.

Secret Societies Must Pay Insurance

MOUNT VERNON, III., June 28 .- The Illinois appellate court for the fourth district has handed down an opinion declaring that where a secret society expels a member the courts may it quire into the expulsion and see whether or not it is just August Delers, a member of the Modern Woodmen, held a benefit certificate for \$2,000, payable to his wife Anna. He was expelled, and shortly after died. His wife sued on the certificate. The order claimed the expulsion could not be looked into by the courts. The appellate court held expulsions to be proper subjects of judicial inquiry, and gave judgment in favor of the beneficiary on the certificate.

LIVELY MRS. CRAVEN. She Tries to Eject the Fair Estate

SAN FRANCISCO, June 23.-Mrs. Nettie

Craven has made two sensational moves in the Fair will contests. She has filed ejectment proceedings against the heirs of James G. Fair to oust them from posses sion of the property at Pine and Sansome streets, and the block on Mission and 11th streets, and at the same time to recover in all \$220,000 for back rents and damages Mrs. Craven refused to take the stand and be sworn in response to the summons of Judge Slack, ordering her and her attorneys and advisers to produce any papers or written documents of the late millionaire in their possession. For this defiance of court, Mrs. Craven was sentenced to twenty-four hours in the Branch county jail, but at the solicitation of her attorneys execution of the order was stayed for twenty-four hours in the hope that she may change her mind. The two deeds that

PRESSURE FOR TICKETS SILVER DEMOCRACY

as well as the new one.

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Illinois Likely to Vote for Bland at Chicago.

NEW YORK IS GOING FOR GOLD

Wisconsin Silver Men Clearly

Outvoted.

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star.

PEORIA, Ill., June 23 .- The Illinois democrats in state convention today will do Gov. Altgeld's bidding to the uttermost. The governor has some surprises for the country. He has prepared a platferm, the main features of which he will seek to have incorporated in the democratic national platform. This morning he has also given the presidential candidacy of Boles of Iowa an additional throw-down and has raised high the hopes of Bland's supporters that the forty-eight votes of Illinois will be given to the champion of the silver dollar. In so far as securing positive instructions



their hopes realized, but they will have many evidences of friendship. Altgeld's platform provides for the free coinage of silver at 16 to 1 and for an income tax constitutional amendment. There is also what is known as the local self-government plank. This is intended to take the place of cpen denunciation of President Cleveland. It reaffirms "historic democratic doctrine" regarding home rule in terms which indorse the stand taken by Altgeld during the Chicago strike.

Single Tax.

The same plank covers the single tax movement for submission of that proposition to countles of the state for adoption. This local self-government hobby of Altgeld's has proved the wreck of the Boies boom. Bland's friends have been circulating copies of Bland's speech in Congress criticising Cleveland and upholding Alt-geld. Boies' supporters, on the other hand, have been called on to explain a speech made by him which substantially indorsed Cleveland's course. This morning a delegation of Boies Iowa managers called on Altgeld. They were received coldly and left in anger. This incident marks the end

of the Boies movement in Illinois. Show of Declining. Just as the convention is assembled a

report is current that in order to add interest Altgeld will decline the nomination and let it be forced on him. The convention will not get down to business till late in the afternoon.

Bland is Winning.

Bland's friends are elated. They say Altgeld has told them to go ahead. Nevertheless, the governor has not agreed to permit instructions for Bland. He intends to have the delegation instructed to vote for free silver and to act as a unit on all questions, but with no instructions on pre-i-dential candidates. If, at the last moment, he changes his mind, it will be because the Bland sentiment has got beyond control. It is developing surprising strength and has already swept southern Illinois. At the meeting of the congressional districts this norning the delegates from most of those in Egypt passed resolutions in favor of

Morrison's friends are helping the move-

ment, probably not without some notion of embarrassing Altgeld. The Delegates-at-Large.

The governor, in addition to being renominated, will head the delegates-at-large. With him will be S. P. McConnell of Chicago, ex-Congressman Fithian of Egypt and "Buck" Hinrichsen of the whole state. A fight is being made on Hinrichsen, but it is not likely to succeed. General Sparks, farmer and land commissioner, will be one of the delegates from Morrison's district. He is a strong free silver advocate. Ex-Congressman Williams will also be a dele-Congressman Williams will also be a delegate. Judge Lambert Tree will represent one of the Chicago districts. The fact that a few gold men may be named as district delegates has no significance, because they

will be bound by the unit rule.

Norman J. Coleman, who used to be Secretary of Agriculture, and who is here working for Bland, says they have positive assurance from Altgeld that he is willing to have a resolution instructing for Bland presented to the convention, but Hinrichsen and other leaders are opposed to it. By what seemed to be an understanding, a good many people put on Teller buttons at roon. Bland's managers say they are in communication with Senator Dubois, and that they have vord that the reller movement prefer Bland to Boles. Senator Dubois has been advised to stay away from Peoria, lest his presence be mis-

THE CONVENTION SCENE.

The Delegates Plainly for Free Coin-PEORIA, Ill., June 23 .- For over an hour before the democratic state convention

was announced to convene thousands of people from all over the state began to gather at the convention hall. It filled up, and crowds awaited outside seeking admission in vain. Every seat in the hall and all the available standing room was taken. There was no excitement or playing of bands. It was near 12:30 when W. H. Hinrichsen, chairman of the state central comittee, called the convention to order. He called upon the Rev. McVety to invoke the blessings of God. When the prayer was ended the audience applauded loudly. He prayed that the Almighty might restore the country to prosperity, and that the masses of the people might be relieved from op-

During the calling of the roll Col. F. Donovan of Chicago made complaint that there were so many people in the aisles that the delegates could not hear. The sergeant-atarms was directed to clear the aisles. He failed to do it, whereupon A. S. Strud then took the floor and declared that many of the Chicago delegates had been crowded were recorded are still missing. Attorney out of their seats, and demanded the ser-Haggerty believes now that he will never geant-at-arms to perform his duty. An